

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS

ORDER

IN RE: Merit Selection Panel

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT ARKANSAS
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By: **JAMES W. McCORMACK, CLERK**
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The Court hereby appoints the merit selection panel for the appointment of a United States Magistrate Judge for this District. All of the United States District Court Judges of this District have participated in the selection of this panel. Members of the panel are as follows:

Gordon S. Rather, Jr.
Attorney at Law

Austin Porter, Jr.
Attorney at Law

Charles T. Coleman
Attorney at Law

Steven W. Quattlebaum
Attorney at Law

Nate Coulter
Attorney at Law

Judith Gray
Non-Lawyer

Jane Duke
Attorney at Law

Clarice Miller
Non-Lawyer

Jack T. Lassiter
Attorney at Law

The judges of this Court have elected Gordon Rather as chair of the panel.

The Court has publicly announced the position in accordance with the regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States and has collected applications. As required by the Judicial Conference, the identities of applicants are confidential. The application deadline was Friday, February 3, 2006.

In accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated for this purpose by the Judicial Conference, panel members should keep confidential all information, written and oral, that they obtain in performing their duties. The panel's deliberations are likewise to be kept confidential.

The panel will submit to the Court, within 90 days of this Order, a report containing the names of the five best-qualified applicants.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 7th day of February, 2006.



CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT